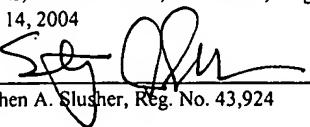




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In re Application of:) Docket No: 90099008
Ayres et al.)
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For: Heat Exchanger With Core) Group Art Unit : 3743
and Support Structure Coupling)
for Reduced Thermal Stress)
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Serial No.: 10/083,038) Examiner: DUONG, Tho V.
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 12, 2004, the Applicant elects the species of Fig. 4, as further exemplified by Figs. 6a, 6b and 7.

The Office Action requires that a listing of all claims readable on the elected species be provided. It is submitted that the species of Fig. 4 reads on claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 19, and 20.

It is noted that upon allowance of a generic claim, Applicant will be entitled to

consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise included all of the limitations of an allowed generic claim as provided by 37 C.F.R. § 1.141.

Should the Examiner have any comments, questions or suggestions relating to a speedy disposition of the application, the Examiner is invited to call Ephraim Starr, Reg. No. 41,325, counsel of record for applicant, at (310) 791-9120.

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